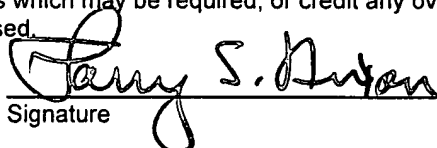


FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 5/93)		U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office	Attorney's Docket Number 36-1148
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. Application No. (if known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Unknown 09/043406	
International Application No. PCT/GB97/00395	International Filing Date 12 February 1997	Priority Date Claimed 12 February 1996 et al	
Title of Invention SERVICE PROVISION SYSTEM FOR USE IN DISTRIBUTED PROCESSING ENVIRONMENTS			
Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US O'BRIEN et al			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) Articles 22 and 39(1). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above checked items are being transmitted: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> before the 18th month publication. <input type="checkbox"/> after publication and the Article 20 communication but before 20 months from the priority date. <input type="checkbox"/> after 20 months. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by 30 months and a proper demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. <input type="checkbox"/> after 30 months. <p>Note: Petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) is necessary if 35 U.S.C. 371 requirements submitted (1) after 20 months and no proper demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by 19 months from the earliest claimed priority date, or (2) after 30 months and a proper demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by 19 months from the earliest claimed priority date.</p> <input type="checkbox"/> At the time of transmittal, Amendments to the claims under Article 34 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. <input type="checkbox"/> Certain requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 were previously submitted by the applicant on _____, namely: <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 			

19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: PTO-1449 and International Search Report							
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:						CALCULATION S	PTO USE ONLY
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)) -- Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO\$930.00 -- International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492).....\$720.00 -- No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)).....\$790.00 -- Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO.....\$1,070.00 -- International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provision of PCT Article 33(1) to (4).....\$98.00							
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =						\$	930.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the National fee or oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 mos. from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).						\$	0.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE				
Total Claims	28	-20 =	7	X	\$22.00	\$	154.00
Independent Claims	5	-3 =	2	X	\$82.00	\$	164.00
Multiple Dependent Claims(s) (if applicable)							0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =						\$	1248.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Affidavit must be filed also. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).							0.00
SUBTOTAL =						\$	1248.00
Processing fee of \$130.00, for furnishing the English Translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 mos., from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).							0.00
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =						\$	1248.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +						\$	40.00
Fee for Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Application (\$1,320 - Small Entity Fee = \$660)						\$	0.00
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =						\$	1288.00
						Amount to be refunded	\$
						Charged	\$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$1288.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 14-1140 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>14-1140</u> . A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this form is enclosed.							
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor Arlington, Virginia 22201 Telephone: (703) 816-4000						 Signature	
						Larry S. Nixon Name	
						25,640	March 18, 1998
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